

LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Labor/Economic Development

Thursday, August 7, 2008

3:10 P.M.

Third Floor, City Hall

Present:

Chair:	CM Tandy
Members:	CW Butler, CM Peden, and CM Owen

Absent: **CM Hawkins (excused)**

Chairman Tandy began the meeting by announcing the members and non-members of the committee that were present. A quorum was not established.

Chairman Tandy stated R-131-07-08 and O-92-05-08 will be held in Committee and heard at the next Committee meeting on 8/21/08. He stated it will be an extended discussion and debate regarding the two pieces of Legislation.

Special Items for Discussion: None

Pending Legislation

R-128-07-08 A RESOLUTION DETERMINING ONE (1) VACANT PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2044 S 41st STREET OWNED BY LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT ("METRO GOVERNMENT") AS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED FOR A GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSE AND AUTHORIZING ITS TRANSFER

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Labor & Economic Development
Primary Sponsor: Judy Green

Motion to Approve made by Marianne Butler and seconded by Tom Owen.

Discussion: Jim Braun, Property Leasing Manager for Public Works and Assets, stated they are looking to surplus a piece of property located at 2044 So. 41st. no longer needed. The following was discussed.

- The property is three blocks North of Algonquin Parkway – immediately south adjacent to the back end of the old Gibson Lane Landfill.
- The Property is 9/10ths of an acre –Has been vacant approximately 3 or 4 years
- Ernest Enterprise is interested in purchasing the property – they are from Columbus Ohio
- Have reached a tentative agreement
- This will create new jobs
- The property was purchased in the year of 1946

By unanimous vote, this item was sent to the **Consent Calendar** on the 8/10/08 Council Agenda.

For: 4; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: David Tandy, Tom Owen, James Peden, Marianne Butler,
Against: (None)
Abstain: (None)
Absent: Doug Hawkins

R-131-07-08 A RESOLUTION ON REFORMULATED GASOLINE

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Labor & Economic Development
Primary Sponsor: Doug Hawkins

This item was **Held** in Committee.

O-142-07-08 AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AND APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT (JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013) RELATING TO WAGES, BENEFITS AND OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AND AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AFL-CIO, LOCAL 2629 CONCERNING REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES IN LOUISVILLE METRO TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT.

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Labor & Economic Development
Primary Sponsor: David Tandy

Motion to Approve made by James Peden and seconded by Tom Owen.

Chairman Tandy asked if there was anyone present to speak to the item. No one was present to speak. He stated this is an Ordinance ratifying and approving a Collective Bargain Agreement between Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government and AFL-CIO Local 2629. He stated it had been voted on by its membership with an agreement.

By unanimous vote, this item was sent to the **Consent Calendar** on the 8/10/08 Metro Council Agenda.

For: 4; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: David Tandy, Tom Owen, James Peden, Marianne Butler
Against: (None)
Abstain: (None)
Absent: Doug Hawkins

O-145-07-08 AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AND APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT (JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012) RELATING TO WAGES, BENEFITS AND OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AND AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AFL-CIO, LOCAL 2629 CONCERNING REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES IN TWELVE DEPARTMENTS (AFSCME MASTER AGREEMENT).

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Labor & Economic Development

Motion to Approve made by James Peden and seconded by Tom Owen.

Discussion: Wanda Mitchell Smith, AFSCME Council 62, Michael Tackett, Codes and Regulations and Bill Warner, Jefferson County Attorney's Office spoke to the item. Wanda Mitchell Smith stated they are in favor of the Ordinance going forward and Local 2629 agreed to pass it out. The following was discussed.

- ❖ When the negotiation took place the City would not comply with the negotiation (IPL) Inspections Permits and License asked for
- ❖ Disparity with Inspection Permits and License – when the vote came and they did not win
- ❖ Since the City and County merger there is a difference in pay
- ❖ Wanda Mitchell stated they were working on the issue internally to try to resolve the problem
- ❖ Morale is low with the employees
- ❖ County and City are both represented by AFSCME but there is a difference in the contracts
- ❖ The members have not had a contract in place for quite awhile – they accepted the contract due to fact they needed to work and take care of their families
- ❖ A different wage sheet was created just for IPL

❖ IPL is the only group who is being treated different regarding wages.

CM Peden asked what makes City and County years different regarding the pay raises if they had the same amount of time invested and the contract is new.

Bill Warner, Jefferson County Attorney's Office stated the question would have to be addressed by the Administration. He stated Labor & Economic Development Committee did not have to approve the contract they could vote or differ it three or more weeks.

CM Owen stated at the present time he had been contacted several times regarding this matter and it is not right. He is very concerned and could not vote for the contract at this time.

Chairman Tandy asked Wanda Smith what the delay of action would do to anyone. Wanda Smith stated the rest of the Bargaining Union would not be able to get their raises. She stated with the feelings she is hearing from the Committee a two week delay may be feasible.

Chairman Tandy asked for the item to be Tabled in Committee

Motion to Table made by James Peden and seconded by Tom Owen.

This item was **Tabled** without objection.

O-92-05-08 AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON NEW DEVELOPMENTS WHICH INCLUDE THE RETAIL SALES OF GASOLINE.

Status: In Committee - Held

Committee: Labor & Economic Development

Primary Sponsor: Dan Johnson

This item remained **Held** in Committee.

Chairman Tandy made a motion to adjourn without objection.

The meeting Adjourn at 3:45 p.m.

***NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting, August 14, 2008.**

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